

Policy: 3080
Procedure: 3080.01
Chapter: Oral Health
Rule: Oral Health Care

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## Purpose:

The Arizona Department of Juvenile Corrections (ADJC) Medical Division ensures quality dental care is provided for secure facility juveniles under the direction and supervision of a dentist licensed by the State of Arizona.

## Rules:

1. The **DENTAL PROGRAM MANAGER** shall ensure all aspects of the National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) Standard Y-E-06(2) are addressed by written policy and defined procedures.

## 2. The **DENTAL PERSONNEL** shall:

- a. Ensure that all juveniles arriving at a secure facility as a New Commitment shall receive an initial oral screening within seven working days of arrival;
- b. Make a preliminary assessment of dental priority in accordance with Procedure 3080.02 Dental Priority of Care.
- 3. The **DENTAL ASSISTANT** shall give instruction in oral hygiene and preventive oral education to the juvenile within 14 days of his/her admission to ADJC and have the juvenile sign Form 3080.01A Preventive Oral Education.
- 4. The **DENTIST** shall ensure that all juveniles receive a complete oral examination within 60 days of admission.
- 5. **QUALIFIED HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL (QHCP)** shall place the names of all parole violators on the dental rosters.
- 6. **DENTAL PERSONNEL** shall ensure that all parole violators:
  - Have their dental records reviewed within 30 days upon their return to a secure facility;
     and
  - b. Receive a periodic oral examination if their existing comprehensive exam is over one year.
- 7. The **DENTIST** shall use radiographs in accordance with the American Dental Association and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration "Guidelines for Prescribing Dental Radiographs" to develop a treatment plan for each juvenile.
- 8. **DENTAL PERSONNEL** shall label Dental records for priority follow-up care in accordance with Procedure 3080.02 Dental Priority of Care.
- 9. The **DENTIST** shall ensure that all juveniles are re-examined at least every year.
- 10. If a dental problem is considered an emergency:
  - a. The **DENTIST OR THE CONTRACT DENTIST** shall see the juvenile immediately during normal duty hours; or
  - b. If the emergency occurs after hours, the QUALIFIED HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL (QHCP) OR DESIGNEE shall consult with the Medical or Dental Provider or the Dental Program Manager concerning the need to send the juvenile to the emergency room;

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- c. The **QUALIFIED HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL (QHCP) OR DESIGNEE** shall place all non-emergent juveniles' names on Form 3080.01B Dental Roster.
- 11. If at intake the juvenile appears to need continuing orthodontic treatment:
  - a. **NURSING PERSONNEL** shall refer the juvenile to Health Unit or Dental Unit personnel for appropriate follow-up;
  - b. **DENTAL PERSONNEL** shall:
    - i. Interview the legal guardian to determine the dentist of record;
    - ii. Contact the juvenile's legal guardian to ensure the financial obligation is met by him/her. **ADJC** shall not pay for routine orthodontic treatment.
- 12. The **DENTAL ASSISTANT** shall ensure that contemporary infection control procedures as delineated by the Center for Disease Control are followed.
- 13. The **DENTAL HYGIENIST** shall be responsible for all preventive dental measures:

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- a. Preventive oral education;
- b. Dental prophylaxis;
- c. Placement fluoride varnishes;
- d. Posterior molar sealants;
- e. Periodontal evaluation.

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